

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Forest Department- Diversion of 3.50 ha. of forest land in Chittappara RF of Chittoor West Division for grant of mining lease for extraction of black granite in favour of Sri Venkateswara Granites, Palamaner, Chittoor District- Permission accorded-Orders issued.

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ENVIRONMENT FORESTS SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOG (FOR.I)DEPTT.

G.O.Ms.No. 6

Dated: 29-1- 2009.

Read the following:-

- 1.From Prl.CCF. Lr.No. 49293/2003/F2, Dated: 29-10-2006.
- 2.State Government letter No. 10154/For.I (1)/2006-1, Dated: 18-12-2006.
- 3.From Prl. CCF. Lr.No.49293/2003/F2, Dated:24-7-2008.
- 4.State Govt.Letter No.10154/For.I (1)/2006-6 Dated: 26-7-2008.
- 5..From GOI, Mo.EF, Bangalore, Lr.No. 4-APB 272/2007-BAN/3620, dt. 19-1-2008.

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**ORDER:**

In the letters 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> read above, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Hyderabad had submitted a proposal under section-2 of Forest (C) Act, 1980, for diversion of 3.50 ha. of forest land in Chittappara Reserve Forest of Chittoor (West) Division for grant of mining lease for black granite in favour of M/s. Venkateswara Granites and requested to forward the same to Government of India for their approval.

2. The above proposal has been sent to Government of India for their approval under section-2 of Forest (C) Act, 1980 vide letters 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> read above.

3. The Government of India in their letter 5<sup>th</sup> read above have conveyed approval (Stage-II) under Section-2 of Forest (C) Act, 1980, for diversion of 3.50 ha. (3.05 ha. for mining/dumping and 0.45 ha. for approach road) of forest land in Compt.No.222, Chittappara R.F.of Chittoor West Division for grant of mining lease for extraction of black granite in favour of Sri Venkateswara Granites, Palamaneru, Chittoor District, for a period of 10 years, subject to certain conditions as stipulated therein.

4. The Government after careful consideration of the proposal, hereby accord permission to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Hyderabad for diversion of 3.50 ha. (3.05 ha. for mining/dumping and 0.45 ha. for approach road) of forest land in Compt.No.222, Chittappara R.F.of Chittoor West Division for grant of mining lease for extraction of black granite in favour of Sri Venkateswara Granites, Palamaneru, Chittoor District, for a period of 10 years, subject to the following conditions:

1. The Legal status of forest land shall remain unchanged.
2. Demarcation of 3.50 ha. forest land for mining shall be carried out by erecting cement concrete pillars duly numbered at an interval of 20 meters at the cost of user agency.
3. Compensatory Afforestation shall be raised over an extent of 3.50 ha. of identified non-forest land in Sy.No.1/1 of Edavalli (V), Kanigiri(M), Prakasam District at the cost of user agency. The State Govt. shall obtain prior permission of Central Government for change of location and schedule of compensatory afforestation site if any.
4. The non-forest land for compensatory afforestation shall be notified by the State Government as Reserve Forest/PF under Indian Forest Act, 1927 or the State Forest Act within a period of (6) months and the Nodal Officer (Forest Conservation) shall report the compliance within 6 months to GOI.

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5. The State Government shall raise and maintain a safety zone and will also raise and maintain the plantation over an area, one and half times of the extent of the safety zone, of the degraded forest land, at the project cost.
  6. The funds received from the user agency towards compensatory afforestation and NPV under this project shall be deposited to ad-hoc CAMPA in account number CA-1578 of Corporation Bank, Block-II, CGO Complex, Phase-I, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110 003.
  7. The additional amount of the Net Present Value (NPV) of the diverted forest land if any becoming due after revision of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in future, shall be charged by the State Government from the user agency and the same shall be transferred to Ad-hoc CAMPA in account number CA-1578 of Corporation Bank, Block-II, CGO Complex, Phase-I, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110 003.
  8. No waste material from mining lease area will be allowed to fall/spread in the adjoining forest area. A deep trench of about 2 mts. width with 1.5 to 1.75 mts. depth shall be dug up all along the boundary of the applied area with excavated earth kept on the outer side of the trench and where the cutting of deep trench is not possible, a stone wall of 1.5 to 1.75 mts. height with sufficient width be formed to stop spread of any waste material in the forest area outside the leased area. The above work shall be undertaken by the user agency at their own cost before commencement of mining operation.
  9. The entire forest area up to the R.F. boundary line, surrounding the applied area shall be appropriately fenced and rehabilitated at the cost of user agency as per the detailed plan prepared by the Forest Department.
  10. Suitable species like Neem etc. shall be planted along both sides of the proposed road over a width of 50 mts. to create a tree belt to minimize the pollution effect at the cost of user agency.
  11. The mining shall be done as per the mining plan approved by IBM.
  12. Soil conservation measures shall be taken up at the cost of user agency.
  13. The forest area shall be used for the purpose of mining, storage of materials and OB dumps only.
  14. Reclamation work in the mining area will be taken up at the cost of user agency.
  15. The consent of Andhra Pradesh Pollution Control Board (APPCB) shall be obtained under Air and Water Act before commencement of mining operation and it shall be renewed annually.
  16. No permanent buildings or labour sheds should be constructed in the leased area.
  17. The total Forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 3.50 In case the land is not used for the stipulated purpose within a period of two years, then the area shall be taken back by the Forest Department.
5. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Hyderabad is directed to take necessary action accordingly in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

JANAKI R. KONDAPI,  
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Hyderabad

Copy to:

The CCF (C ), GOI, Mo.EF, Bangalore.

Sri Venkateswara Granites, Palamaneru, Chittoor District,

//FORWARDED BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER